Alan Cranston as having said that the Indian Government acknowledge that there have been some violations of human rights by the security forces, but denied that the violations have been widespread or condoned, and have agreed to let Amnesty International undertake to ascertain the facts in Kashmir; and

(b) whether during the talks with the Senator in New Delhi recently, Government expressed the view as quoted by the former?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) Government are aware of the news item which appeared in the 'Indian Express' of July.

(b) During the talks with the Senator, it was reiterated that the Government are deeply committed and fully conscious of the obligations to uphold Human Rights. It was pointed out that our security forces have been acting with great restraint despite constant and indiscriminate campaign of violence unleashed against them by the terrorists supplied with lethal weapons and explosives by Pakistan. The Government's policy on Amnesty Internatioal was conveyed to Senator Cranston.

Union Home Minister's meeting with Chief Ministers of Maharashtra and and Karnataka

2444. SHRI A. G. KULKARNI:

SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL:

DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether he had recenetly held a meeting with the Chief Ministers of Maharashtra and Karnataka to ascertain how far both the Ministers agree for readjustment regarding the border dispute between the two States; and ..

(b) if not, by when Government propose to do the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) and (b) The Home Minister had invited the Chief Ministers of Maharashtra and Karnataka to attend a meeting in New Delhi on 1st August, 1990. This meeting was postponed as the Chief Minister Karnataka expressed his inability to attend it on account of his official preoccupations at Bangalore. An alternative date for the meeting has not yet been fixed.

Allocation to Andhra Pradesh under Central Road Fund Scheme

2445. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what was the amount allocated to Andhra Pradesh under Central Road Fund during Seventh Five Year Plan, year-wise; and

(b) what was the percentage of allocation for the State during the said period in comparison to the other States in the country?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K. P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) and (b) Keeping in view the total cost of schemes approved, funds already released and total funds available for the purpose, amount released to Andhra Pradesh during the 7th Five Year Plan out

of Central Road Fund is indicated below:—

(Rs . lakhs)

Year	Amount released to Andhra Pradesh	% of total amount released
1985-86	115.00	11.99
1986-87	130.00	20.00
1987-88	46.26	9.25
1988-89	7.39	1.06
1989-90	4.49	0.50

Cyclone in Andhra Pradesh

2446. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the estimated damage to the roads in Andhra Pradesh as a result of recent cyclone/floods in that State;

(b) whether Central Government have provided any assistance for that purpose to the State;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K. P. UNNI KRISHNAN): (a) The Task Force constituted to assess the damages to National Highways in Andhra Pradesh has assessed the same to be of the order of Rs. 5.03 crores. For other roads, the State Government has reported a damage of Rs. 284.985 crores to the Central Team deputed by the Ministry of Agriculture.

(b) to (d) A sum of Rs. 50.00 lakhs was released on ad hoc basis for urgent repairs to the National Highways. Ministry of Agriculture has also released Rs. 64.50 crores to Andhra Pradesh State to undertake all relief measures and incur necessary expenditure in the wage of the natural calamity.

Recommendations of the Cadre Review committee set up for the T.V. and AIR Engineers

2447. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what are the recommendations of the Cadre Review Committee set up for the T.V. and A.I.R. engineer and Chief engineers regarding their upgradation and salary fixation; and

(b) by when the recommendations are likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) Since no final decision has been taken on the proposals for cadre review, it may not be proper to divulge the details at this stage.

(b) No specific time frame can be indicated since consultation with other Ministries also involved.

The Sword of Tipu Sultan

2448. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether T.V. serial captioned "The Sword of Tipu Sultan" contemplated as a freedom struggle film was referred to the Ministry's editorial Board on Indian Struggle for Independence for clearance;